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Our Case No. 5050/296

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**SUMMARY OF ARGUMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

At the preliminary hearing in this matter, petitioner Acuson Corporation  
("Acuson") argued that the present public use petition should be granted without  
reconsideration of the Examiner's findings. Acuson submits that the following points  
argue against any reconsideration at this time.

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1. **Due Process Does Not Require Reconsideration At This Stage**

At present, no claims have been rejected based on the facts alleged in the petition. The only determination that has been made is that the facts alleged in the petition warrant the institution of a public use proceeding. If a public use proceeding is declared and rejections are later imposed based on facts established in the public use proceeding, applicant will at that time have full rights of appeal.

2. **The Requested Public Use Proceeding Will Not Be Unduly Burdensome On PTO Resources**

The public use procedure outlined in the MPEP imposes a small burden on PTO resources: a schedule is set and briefs are received. The Examiner's findings make it clear that this allocation of resources is warranted here.

Respectfully submitted,



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